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1. AS REQUESTED IN REFTEL A, WE HAVE QUIZZED COMMISSION OFFICIALS ABOUT THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF (A) THE "COMMITMENT" TO USE INTERNATIONAL WHEAT COUNCIL (IWC) STATISTICS FOR CALCULATING WHEAT UMR'S; AND (B) BOLIVA'S REPORTED ACCEPTANCE OF THE ORIGINALLY PROPOSED 145,000 METRIC TON UMR.

2. COMMISSION OFFICIALS IN THE DIRECTORATE GENERAL FOR AGRICULTURE WERE UNABLE TO FURNISH ANY PRECISE LEGAL CITATION REQUIRING THE USE OF IWC STATISTICS FOR UMR'S. THEY SAID, HOWEVER, THAT IN THEIR OPINION THE IWC IS THE MOST LOGICAL SOURCE OF DATA FOR ESTABLISHING FOOD AID UMR'S. THEIR REASONING STEMS FROM THE FACT THAT THE IWC, ORIGINALLY SET UP TO ADMINISTER THE INTERNATIONAL WHEAT AGREEMENT 1949,
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WAS FORMALLY CONTINUED BY THE INTERNATIONAL WHEAT AGREEMENT

1971 IN BOTH ITS CONSTITUENT PARTS; THE WHEAT TRADE CONVENTION AND THE FOOD AID CONVENTION. IT IS UNDER THE LATTER THAT INTERNATIONAL FOOD AID IS FURNISHED.

3. THE EC REMAINS WILLING TO DEPART FROM IWC DATA WHEN PRESENTED WITH VIABLE ALTERNATIVES. IT PREFERS TO SETTLE UMR PROBLEMS THROUGH BI-LATERAL CONSULTATIONS BUT ALSO ADHERES TO THE PROCEDURES FOR ESTABLISHING UMR'S AS SET FORTH IN THE "FAO PRINCIPLES OF SURPLUSDISPOSAL AND CONSULTATIVE OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBER NATIONS". THIS INCLUDES NOTIFICATION TO AND CONSULTATION WITH THE CONSULTATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE ON SURPLUS DISPOSAL (CSD) WHEN THERE ARE QUESTIONS CONCERNING A UMR.

4. COMMISSION OFFICIALS WERE EMBARRASSED TO ADMIT THAT THEY COULD NOT SUBSTANTIATE THE CLAIM THAT BOLIVIA HAD ORIGINALLY ACCEPTED A 145,000 METRIC TON UMR. THEY RECOGNIZE THAT THE SITUATION HAS NOW BEEN ALTERED BY THE DEVELOPMENTS DESCRIBED IN REFTELS B AND C.

5. THE MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE ANY COMMENT THAT WASHINGTON AND LA PAZ COULD FURNISH ON THE CURRENT BOLIVIAN EFFORT TO REDUCE THE UMR TO 95,000 METRIC TONS (REFTEL C).MYERSON

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